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SUBJECT: VISIT OF KING CARL XVI GUSTAF TO US DURING
BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

1. AMBASSADOR WACHTMEISTER CALLED ON LOWENSTEIN (SUBSTITUTING FOR HARTMAN) OCTOBER 16 TO INFORM DEPARTMENT KING INTENDS VISIT US IN MARCH-APRIL 1976 IN RESPONSE TO INVITATIONS FROM SEVERAL SWEDISH-AMERICAN COMMUNITIES NOW PLANNING BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS. WACHTMEISTER SAID KING HAS ALREADY OBTAINED GOS APPROVAL FOR VISIT AND GOS INTENDS ISSUE PRESS RELEASE ON SUBJECT WITHIN NEXT SEVERAL DAYS.

2. WACHTMEISTER AGREED TO LOWENSTEIN SUGGESTION THAT GOS DELAY PRESS RELEASE TEMPORARILY WHILE PRESIDENT FORD AND OTHER APPROPRIATE US OFFICIALS INFORMED OF KING'S INTENTIONS. LOWENSTEIN EMPHASIZED THAT NO USG POLICY FOR HANDLING FOREIGN CHIEFS OF STATE VISITING US IN BICENTENNIAL PERIOD HAD BEEN FORMULATED BUT QUESTION WILL BE
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ADDRESSED IN NEXT SEVERAL MONTHS. WACHTMEISTER, ON HIS PART, STRESSED PRIVATE AND UNOFFICIAL NATURE OF KING'S FORTH-

COMING VISIT BUT ALSO MENTIONED POSSIBILITY OF KING'S
PASSING THROUGH WASHINGTON AT SOME POINT IN HIS JOURNEY.
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